

REMARKS

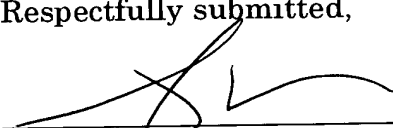
Consideration and entry of the amendment to claim 8 is respectfully requested. This amendment is needed to delete from claim 8 the recitation that the synthesizer is connected to the output of the sound pressure sensor. This element does not require any further search or examination because the element of this claim identified in the Examiner's Reasons for Allowance are still present in this claim. Therefore, claim 8 is still patentably distinguishable over the prior art of record.

If there are any questions regarding this amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #080437.48943).

Respectfully submitted,

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